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SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF PENAL SANCTIONS TREATY

REF: STATE 013971

1. REGRET DELAY IN REPLYING BUT GOT'S RECENT FLURRY OF DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY HAS REDUCED ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS.
2. AMBASSADOR AND DCM CALLED ON MFA SECRETARY GENERAL ELEKDAG AND INQUIRED ABOUT STATUS OF TREATY. SEC GEN ELEKDAG CONFIRMED THAT GOT DRAFT IS READY AND IS IN THE HANDS OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER, BUT ADDED, GOT IS RELUCTANT TO GO AHEAD NOW. ELEKDAG TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT REALISTICALLY GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY WITH PARLIAMENT IN UNDERTAKING ANY BI-LATERAL AGREEMENT WITH U.S. GIVEN CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS. IT WAS EVIDENT TREATY WOULD NOT GO FORWARD UNTIL AFTER THE EMBARGO SITUATION WAS RESOLVED.
3. ELEKDAG THEN DESCRIBED AN INITIATIVE BY THE JUSTICE MINISTRY THAT WOULD AMEND TURKISH LAW ON EXECUTION OF SENTENCES TO PERMIT GOT, THROUGH MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, TO EXPEL ANY FOREIGNER CONVICTED AND/OR SERVING SENTENCE IN TURKISH PRISON WITHOUT CONCURRANCE OF COUNCIL OF MINISTERS. WE HAVE CONFIRMED EXISTENCE OF SUCH A BILL AND UNDERSTAND IT IS PRESENTLY IN JUDICIAL COMMITTEE UNDER STUDY. OFFICIALS

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WITH WHOM CONOFF DISCUSSED NEW BILL SEEM CONFIDENT IT WILL PASS. EXACT DETAILS ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE BUT WE ARE PURSUING IT FURTHER AND WILL ADVISE DEPARTMENT. WE HOPE ALSO TO BE ABLE TO PROJECT PROBABLE IMPACT THIS LEGISLATION ON ANTAKYA THREE AS WELL AS OTHER AMERICANS IN PRISON.

3. OTHER LEGISLATIVE ACTION CURRENTLY UNDERWAY WHICH WILL

EFFECT LENGTH OF SENTENCES FOR THOSE CURRENTLY SERVING OUT
JUDGEMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL BY SEPARATE CABLE.
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